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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**February, 2011**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases* submitted to the laboratories this month.....	728
Number of items* contained in these cases.....	1444
Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....	1123
Number of items analyzed this month.....	1940
Laboratories' backlog (Items).....	3194
Average time per analysis (turnaround time).....	62 days
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed .....	63

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	742	23%
16-30 days old	639	20%
31-50 days old	804	25%
Greater than 50 days	1009	32%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3194</b>	<b>100%</b>

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	140	7%
16-30 days	218	11%
31-50 days	449	23%
Greater than 50 days	1133	58%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1940</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	395
Cocaine	419
Heroin	233
Others	893
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1940</b>

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	3
Cocaine	31
Oxycodone	27
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>

**Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	3232
Items Analyzed	4032